

SENATE RESOLUTION 45  
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A RESOLUTION to commend and express appreciation to Loren Roberts and the United States Golf Association for their contributions to the Mid-South Junior Golf Association.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize and commend those who make significant contributions to the public good; and

WHEREAS, the United States Golf Association has generously given a grant of \$15,000 to the Mid-South Junior Golf Association to expand opportunities for Memphis youth this summer; and

WHEREAS, the Mid-South Junior Golf Association is an exemplary group with a solid record of helping minority and inner-city youth ages 8-18; and

WHEREAS, the group wisely limits dues to \$15 because many participants could not afford to pay a higher rate; and

WHEREAS, the gift from the USGA follows last month's announcement that PGA Tour player Loren Roberts of Memphis will give \$10,000 in each of the next four years to help fund a scholarship in his name for the youth program based at Pine Hill; and

WHEREAS, the MSJGA had regretfully planned to limit membership to about 250 youth this summer because of staff and financial limitations but the grant will mean many additional persons can take advantage of this model program; and

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WHEREAS, Cal Vinson, the highly regarded MSJGA president, said, "Usually when people donate, it's a gift-in-kind type thing, but these are actual dollars to assist us with the operational costs, materials, and things of that nature"; and

WHEREAS, Pine Hill pro and Mid-South Junior Golf Association founder, Charles Hudson who worked tirelessly to get additional funding for the group, commented, "I haven't stopped smiling since I heard. This will allow us to accommodate more kids and do more things, it's wonderful."; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause to honor and commend Loren Roberts and the United States Golf Association on their beneficent grants; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Loren Roberts and the United States Golf Association for their generosity, expressing our deepest appreciation for their help in making a difference in countless young lives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Loren Roberts and the USGA with this final clause omitted from such copy.